

## Message Text

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R 171452Z MAY 77  
FM AMEMBASSY PARIS  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2894

C O N F I D E N T I A L PARIS 14524

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, CFED, AL  
SUBJ: APPROACH TO ALBANIAN EMBASSY REGARDING VERIFICA-  
TION OF DEATH

REF: STATE 94908

1. TELEPHONIC APPROACHES HAVING PRODUCED NO RESULTS,  
EMBOFF CALLED ON ALBANIAN EMBASSY DURING PUBLIC OFFICE  
HOURS EQUIPPED WITH PLAIN NON-PAPER SETTING FORTH BARE  
FACTS THIS CASE.

2. EMBOFF WAS ADMITTED AND RECEIVED BY AN EVIDENTLY  
RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL TO WHOM HE THEN ATTEMPTED TO EX-  
PLAIN THAT HE HAD COME ON PURELY HUMANITARIAN MISSION  
INVOLVING A DYING MAN. OFFICIAL DECLINED TO IDENTIFY  
HIMSELF, REFUSED TO LISTEN TO DETAILS OF CASE OR  
ACCEPT NON-PAPER. HE REITERATED ONLY THAT ALBANIA  
DID NOT DO BUSINESS WITH AMERICANS. TO BE SURE THE  
ALBANIAN CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD THE NATURE OF THIS CALL,  
EMBOFF REPEATED SEVERAL TIMES THAT ISSUE WAS NOT  
POLITICAL BUT PURELY HUMANITARIAN AND INVOLVED A VERY  
SICK PERSON. ALBANIAN REMAINED TOTALLY UNMOVED.  
EMBOFF THEN LEFT WITH MEAGER SATISFACTION OF HAVING  
PROBABLY BEEN FIRST AMERICAN TO GRACE, IF EVER SO  
BRIEFLY, THE EMBASSY'S RECEPTION ROOMS (EXTREMELY  
DARK AND DINGY) IN MANY YEARS.

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3. GIVEN FAILURE THIS MISSION, WE INTEND TO ASK QUAI  
TO APPROACH ALBANIANS IF POSSIBLE IN TIRANA PER REFTTEL.  
GAMMON

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